



UPDATE FROM YOUR LOCAL OFFICER

August 2008

We've had just a few burglaries of outbuildings over the last month. The last couple of months do seem though to have been abit quieter in general. We are holding a Crime Prevention event in the next month that may be of interest to you.

Two Burglaries were reported at Bradbourne, both occurring at the same location, a development on the road from Bradbourne to Brassington. The site was first entered over the weekend, Friday 27th June to Monday 30th June 2008. An Indespension Trailer was stolen, and also other items such as tools. The site was revisited on the Monday night, 30th June 2008, when Plant equipment and other items were stolen. Police are making enquiries into some suspicious vehicles that were seen in the area.

A further burglary then took place at Spend Lane, Thorpe, between 8pm on Wednesday 2nd July and 7.45 am, Thursday 3rd July 2008. Entry was gained to outbuildings, a search was made but nothing stolen.

In August we are going to have a second Crime Prevention Event, this time at Kniveton Village Hall. The event will run from 4pm to 8pm, on Thursday 14th August 2008. I will be there to give Crime Prevention advice, and we will also have a number of items to view and purchase. Hopefully our Crime Reduction Officer will be present, along with a Police Community Support Officer.

On our area we have not suffered a great deal with Distraction Burglaries. Many of the 'Distraction' type burglaries use a method where the people claim to be from the Water Board, and say they need to check taps and pipes in the house. With unexpected callers we encourage people to use door chains, or speak to them through a nearby window, rather than opening the door. If you have any doubts simply send them away, don't let them in. If they claim to be from the Water board, they should have Identity Cards, and will not mind if you tell them to wait whilst you double check. Severn Trent Water can be contacted on 0800 783 4444 to check the identity of any caller claiming to work for them.

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USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police Non Emergency 0845 1233333 (Non Emergency, for suspicious incidents, etc, requiring prompt attention, and routine calls)

Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 (Call anonymously with information about crime)

Severn Trent Water 0800 783 444 (To check on the identity of callers claiming to work for the Water Board)

Please remember if you see, hear, or are told about someone that is acting suspiciously, or causing a nuisance, please make a note of any details. Registration numbers, good descriptions, are very helpful. Please ring us, if possible at the time. You do not have to give your details, you will be asked for them, but you can decline and remain anonymous. The most important thing is that the information is passed on.